



The Resurrection Hope

According to Acts, when Paul was put on trial before the ruling council, he was required to give an account of his behavior. Everyone knew of his former life as a strict, "take no prisoners," Pharisee, and how zealous he was for the traditions of the fathers. Yet, the faith he once sought to eradicate he now proclaimed far and wide at great personal cost. Why? I suppose Paul must have rehearsed an answer to that question many times. When he had his chance to speak to his fellow Jews, he came out with one clear idea, "I am on trial concerning the hope of the resurrection of the dead" (Acts 23:6).

Is the hope of resurrection the heart of your faith? Think about what Paul meant. The Pharisees in his audience agreed, against the Sadducees, that there would be a resurrection. But if Paul had been allowed to continue, he would have distinguished what he had witnessed from what the Pharisees believed. There would be a general resurrection at the end of the age, yes, but Jesus was raised to life in this age, as a prelude, or "first fruits," of the resurrection to life of all, "both the righteous and the unrighteous" (Acts 24:15).

Paul gives us much to think about here. Of all the things Christians believe, why is this the most important? ... Consider two points. First, survey the lives and ministries of the apostles, and one thing stands out. They simply did not fear death. Peter and John were warned about speaking in the name of Jesus, and then flogged when they persisted. What did they do? They rejoiced! (Acts 5.41) When Paul was stoned and left for dead at Lystra, what did he do after he recovered from that traumatic experience? He went right back to Lystra to

encourage the converts he had made! (Acts 14:19-23) Read further as Paul recounts the trials of the apostles and of himself in 1 Cor. 4:8-13 and 2 Cor. 11:23-33. The apostles seem to be gluttons for punishment. But notice that Paul commends this pattern of life to his Christian readers. "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ" (1 Cor. 11:1), Paul urges the Corinthians. As he explains further for the Philippians, the goal of the life we are called to is when "He (Jesus) will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of His glory" (Phil. 4:21).

This is the hope of resurrection, and it is the second point. The resurrection involves a transformation of all that we see and touch that is broken, flawed, corrupt, and dying. Nothing in this changing world is what it should be. Indeed, the "form of this world is passing away" (1 Cor. 7:31) and this fact should govern how Christians address every relationship and obligation. ... As I think about life in this changing and troubled time I see much to be concerned about, and much that might distract me from what is most important. I do not want to get too caught up in worries or problems, politics or issues that are destined to pass away when the Lord returns.

This year I want to live more consistently with the hope of the resurrection at the center. I am resolving to approach people and circumstances without fear, and to look forward more intently for the renewal of all things that is sure to come. Who will join me in this resolution?

~Michael Case

Welcome to East Hill Church of Christ, a place where you can discover the gospel! Please, don't hesitate to let any of the greeters or ministers know how we can serve you.

February

- Baby Blessing during service
- Baby Shower Augie Rodrigues 2-4 pm in fellowship hall
- Elders and Ministers Meeting
- Ladies' Craft Day 8 am-6 pm in fellowship hall
- Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 28 New Song Night

March

- All East Hill responsible on weekdays for meals-on-wheels deliveries
 - Son Shiners meet at 5:30 at Chances "R"
- 2 Father/Son Bowling and Supper
- 3 New Children's Bible Class Quarter
- Men's Breakfast at 8:00 am in fellowship hall
- 10 Daylight saving time begins -set clocks forward-

11-12 York University Equip Conference

27 LTC Preview Night

29-30 LTC in Kansas City

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

A Diaper Shower to bless the Rodrigues family upon the fairly recent arrival of Augie, will be today. The shower will be come-and-go from 2-4 pm in the fellowship hall. Augie arrived in November so he can already use size 2 or larger and can use any brand of diapers. For questions about the shower, Laurie Briggs is organizing.

LTC season is here: Practices scheduled for Sundays & Wednesdays:

Sun 1:30-2:15 Signing

Wed 6:00-6:30 3-6 Chorus

Sun 2:15-3:15 7-12 Chorus

Wed 6:30-7:15 3-6 Drama

Sun 3:15-4:15 10-12 Drama

Sun 3:15-4:15 7-9 Drama

Children's Bible Classes will begin the spring quarter on March 3. Those who are interested in teaching or helping whether continuing or beginning for the spring quarter please contact Hannah and Tana ASAP. You can see what is needed on the google sheet at the QR code. You can also sign up there if you have the google sheets ap on your phone.



Father/Son Bowling: Dads and sons, come join us for bowling, supper, games, and a devotional on Saturday, March 2! The



fun starts at 3:00 at Sunset Bowl and Lounge and then moves to our fellowship hall for dinner and games. Please register at the QR code by February 28. See Glenn D with questions.

Mountain State Food Drive The pick up for the Spring food drive for Mountain State Children's Home has begun. Please have items to the building by April 7. In addition to needed items listed on the back, gift cards to Walmart and Sam's are a big help for perishable items. At the bottom is a list of items which they do NOT need. Sugar free varieties of items are appreciated. Please remember to check expiration dates too.

Jackson Kreifels 2/11 Bryan Becker

2/12 Saxton Andrews

2/12 Jodie Yunevich

2/13 Jeff Shafer

2/15 Angela Case

2/17 Pam Miller

Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.

East Hill 2024 Theme Verse—Hebrews 12:14 (NIV)

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayer Requests and Updates:

Allan Huskins asks for prayers for his sister, Michelle who continues to struggle with serious health issues.

Please keep **Eddie Kennedy** in prayer. He was admitted to York General Hospital last Thursday with continuing health concerns.

Angie Robison is scheduled for surgery to remove her thyroid this Wednesday, February 14.

Marty Salsbury: Please keep praying for Marty and Meghan, and their children, Ciaran and Adalynn. Marty returned home from the hospital on Thursday.

Body Life:

Baby Blessings—Today we speak a blessing over the Rodrigues, and Sikes families. The were each joined by a little one within the last year. We want God to bless the raising of Augie, and Carter, that they may grow in wisdom and stature and favor of God and man.

Congrats to **Jonathan Tandy** on winning 2nd place in his division in the York County Spelling Bee!

Congrats to, **Devin**, son of **Steddon and Brenda Sikes** on his engagement to Heather Salmon on February 3.

Congrats to **Boe Fraser** and **Makai Schwarz** on winning the state e-sport Overwatch competition!

Prayer Focus:

Today, we celebrate two families who have brought children into the world recently. What a joy! What an awesome responsibility! This calls to mind for us to pray for all our families with young children. Did you know we have about 15 children under the age of three?! Let's pray for these parents as they raise these little children and that they will experience the joy of loving their families. We appreciate all these families!

Weekly Events

Attended Nursery: You can drop off children ages 0 up to 2 years in the nursery during services.

Service at Legacy Square:

There is a service for the residents of Legacy Square in Henderson at 2:30 each Sunday. See Tommy Carr if you have questions.

Youth Updates: Contact Garrett Schwarz to get the Remind notices. Wednesday Meal: Menu this week: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and green beans. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer by today! \$6 per person, serving line open 5:15-6:00.

Women's Thursday Class
Meets from 10-11:30 AM in
fellowship hall and Zoom.
Christopher Yuan's Holy Sexuality
Study (holysexuality.com) will cover
the topic of IDENTITY this week.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Faith – See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright—but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness.

~Habakkuk 2:4

Weekly Scripture Memory February 4—March 2

Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him; If we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; If we are faithless; he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

~2 Timothy 2:11-13

For the Record: Schedule of Services Weekly Attendance: Sunday Weekly Giving Worship 10 am, livestreamed on Facebook Budgeted: Bible classes for all 9 am Actual: Sunday evening 5 pm, communion available Children's: Wednesday Year to Date Adult Class 6:30 pm Budgeted: Adult class is livestreamed on Facebook Giving: Children & Families event twice a month this Summer Children's for Ecuador:

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Michele Briggs

9 am-noon

Tera Knapp 11:30-2:30

Missionaries in Ecuador Joshua & Julie Marcum

Michaela, Eliana, Jana, Enoch

Shepherds:

Tim Carr

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Ron Kretz

Keith Miller

Mark Miller

Todd Sheldon

Steddon Sikes

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Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

Deacons Area of Service Marty Barrett Benevolence
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Troy FlyntTreasurer
Jansen Fraser Grounds
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Mountain State Food Drive

February 4, 2024

285

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\$34.67

\$8,079.06

\$33,584.55

\$149.65

Sugar free varieties of items are appreciated. Please check expiration dates.

Canned/Jarred— chicken, tuna, beef and chicken broth, mustard, ketchup, peanut butter, jelly (variety), soy and teriyaki sauces, alfredo sauce, salad dressings (variety), cooking spices (variety), Nutella

Personal/Household— Q-tips, body lotion, disposable razors, Tylenol/ Acetaminophen, Advil/Ibuprofen, regular size feminine tampons

Boxed/Packets— instant oatmeal packets, pancake mix, baking chips (chocolate, white chocolate, and butterscotch), gravy packets (variety), dry soup mixes

Snacks/Beverages— individual chips for lunches, tortilla chips, trail mix, fruit snacks, nuts (all varieties), microwave popcorn, granola bars, Kind bars, Cliff bars, 100% fruit juices (orange, prune, cranberry, apple, pineapple), chocolate milk syrup/powder

Paper Goods/Plastics/Cleaning— 18 oz plastic cups, plastic utensils, aluminum foil, dishwasher detergent, glass cleaner

NOT needed— canned vegetables, canned beans (chili, black, kidney pork and beans), canned fruit, soup, dish soap, disinfecting wipes, hand sanitizer

Order of Worship

God Came Down

Worship Leader: Shawn Smith

23 Our God, He is Alive 869 We're Marching to Zion 446 Hear, O Israel

Reading of Psalm 50: Brien Alley

Prayer of Worship: Luke Case

517 Heaven Came Down 382 Why Did My Savior Come to Earth

Communion: Tim McNeese

Children's Offering

63 I Will Call Upon the Lord

"Learn to Discern" Leviticus 11 Glenn Hawley

Invitation for Prayer

674 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus Salvation Belongs to Our God

Body Life: Ken Van Gomple

Baby Blessing: Glenn Dallmann

Shepherd's Prayer: Michael Case